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DAILY REPORT

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Legislative
Day

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- The House will reconvene for its 14th Legislative Day on Thursday, February 10 at 10:00 a.m.
- Four bills are expected to be debated on the floor.

Today on the Floor

Rules Calendar

HB 56 Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit; superior court; provide additional judge

Bill Summary: House Bill 56 increases the number of judges for superior courts in the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit from three to four. The additional judge shall be appointed by the governor for a term beginning July 1, 2022, until December 31, 2024. A successor shall be elected at the non-partisan judicial election held in 2024, and the elected successor shall take office January 1, 2025.

Authored By: Rep. Wesley Cantrell (22nd)
House Judiciary
Committee:
Floor Vote: Yeas: 148 Nays: 0

Rule Applied: Modified-Structured
Committee 01-25-2022 Do Pass by Committee
Action: Substitute
Amendments:

HB 263 Retirement; benefits for judges of probate courts; revise method through which certain actuarial equivalents are determined

Bill Summary: House Bill 263 revises the computation method for the spousal benefits, as a designated survivor, under judges of the probate courts to using an interest rate and current mortality table adopted by the board. This bill is certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a fiscal retirement bill.

Authored By: Rep. Mitchell Scoggins (14th)
House Retirement
Committee:
Floor Vote: Yeas: 150 Nays: 0

Rule Applied: Modified-Structured
Committee 02-01-2022 Do Pass by Committee
Action: Substitute
Amendments:

HB 1045 Workers compensation; dissolution of Subsequent Injury Trust Fund; extend time period

Bill Summary: House Bill 1045 revises the year from 2022 to 2026 at which the required rate of contributions for new or newly covered employers to make into unemployment insurance increases from 2.64 percent of wages to 2.7 percent of wages. The bill revises the rate table that applies to variations of the contribution rate by making O.C.G.A. 34-8-155(e) apply until December 31, 2026, with O.C.G.A. 34-8-155(c) applying for any variations after that time. HB 1045 also extends the administrative assessment of .06 percent on all wages from December 31, 2022, until December 31, 2026. The repeal date of Article 6 of Chapter 8 of Title 34 is revised from January 1, 2023, to January 1, 2027. Further, the dissolution date of the Subsequent Injury Trust Fund is changed from December 31, 2023, to December 31, 2025.

Authored By: Rep. Houston Gaines (117th)
House Industry and Labor
Committee:
Floor Vote: Yeas: 116 Nays: 37

Rule Applied: Modified-Structured
Committee 02-02-2022 Do Pass by Committee
Action: Substitute
Amendments:

Postponed Until Next Legislative Day

HB 961 Torts; authorize apportionment of damages in single-defendant lawsuits; provide for evidence of fault of nonparties

Bill Summary: HB 961 amends Code to authorize apportionment of damages in single-defendant lawsuits rather than solely in multi-defendant lawsuits. In lawsuits against one or more defendants, following a reduction of damages attributed to the plaintiff's percentage of fault, the damages shall be apportioned to the liable person or persons according to each person's percentage of fault.

Authored By: Rep. Chuck Efstraction (104th) **Rule Applied:** Structured

Local Calendar

HB 1099 Laurens County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: HB 1099 changes the description of the Laurens County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By: Rep. Matt Hatchett (150th) **Rule Applied:**
House Intragovernmental Coordination - **Committee** 02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee: Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 133 Nays: 11 **Action:**
Amendments:

HB 1100 Laurens County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1100 changes the description of the Laurens County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By: Rep. Matt Hatchett (150th) **Rule Applied:**
House Intragovernmental Coordination - **Committee** 02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee: Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 133 Nays: 11 **Action:**
Amendments:

HB 1155 Gordon County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1155 changes the description of the Gordon County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By: Rep. Matt Barton (5th) **Rule Applied:**
House Intragovernmental Coordination - **Committee** 02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee: Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 133 Nays: 11 **Action:**
Amendments:

HB 1156 Johnson County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1156 changes the description of the Johnson County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By: Rep. Matt Hatchett (150th) **Rule Applied:**
House Intragovernmental Coordination - **Committee** 02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee: Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 133 Nays: 11 **Action:**
Amendments:

HB 1157 Johnson County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: HB 1157 changes the description of the Johnson County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By: Rep. Matt Hatchett (150th) **Rule Applied:**
House Intragovernmental Coordination - **Committee** 02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee: Local
Floor Vote: Yeas: 133 Nays: 11 **Action:**
Amendments:

HB 1159 Calhoun County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1159 changes the description of the Calhoun County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Gerald Greene (151st)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1160 Clay County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1160 changes the description of the Clay County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Gerald Greene (151st)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1161 Clay County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1161 changes the description of the Clay County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Gerald Greene (151st)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1162 Telfair County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1162 changes the description of the Telfair County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Robert Pruitt (149th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1163 Dodge County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1163 changes the description of the Dodge County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Robert Pruitt (149th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1164 Dodge County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1164 changes the description of the Dodge County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Robert Pruitt (149th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1165 Wheeler County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1165 changes the description of the Wheeler County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Robert Pruitt (149th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1166 Lee County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1166 changes the description of the Lee County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Bill Yearta (152nd)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1167 Taliaferro County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1167 changes the description of the Taliaferro County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Trey Rhodes (120th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1168 Turner County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1168 changes the description of the Turner County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Clay Pirkle (155th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1169 Turner County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1169 changes the description of the Turner County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Clay Pirkle (155th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1170 Thomas County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1170 changes the description of the Thomas County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Darlene Taylor (173rd)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1171 Monroe County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1171 changes the description of the Monroe County Board of Education's districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Robert Dickey (140th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1172 Monroe County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1172 changes the description of the Monroe County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By:	Rep. Robert Dickey (140th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1173 Morgan County; Board of Commissioners; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1173 changes the description of the Morgan County Board of Commissioners' districts.

Authored By:	Rep. D. C. Belton (112th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1174 Morgan County; Board of Education; change description of districts

Bill Summary: House Bill 1174 changes the composition and description of the education districts from which members of the Morgan County Board of Education are elected.

Authored By:	Rep. D. C. Belton (112th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1190 Bartow County; Board of Education; provide new district boundaries

Bill Summary: House Bill 1190 provides new district boundaries for the Bartow County Board of Education.

Authored By:	Rep. Mitchell Scoggins (14th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

HB 1191 Bremen, City of; Municipal Court; charge technology fee

Bill Summary: House Bill 1191 authorizes the Bremen Municipal Court to charge a technology fee.

Authored By:	Rep. Tyler Smith (18th)	Rule Applied:	
House	Intragovernmental Coordination -	Committee	02-07-2022 Do Pass
Committee:	Local	Action:	
Floor Vote:	Yeas: 133 Nays: 11	Amendments:	

Next on the Floor from the Committee on Rules

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for the 14th Legislative Day, Thursday, February 10, and bills may be called at the pleasure of the Speaker.

HB 412 Professions and businesses; licensure of individuals in the practice of applied behavior analysis; provide

Bill Summary: House Bill 412 creates the Georgia Behavior Analyst Licensing Board, which is composed of five members appointed by the governor. Eight new terms are defined, including for "applied behavior analysis," "behavior technician," "board," "board certified," "certifying entity," "licensed assistant behavior analyst," "licensed behavior analyst," and "practice of applied behavior analysis." The board is composed of three members who are either board-certified behavior analysts or board-certified behavior analyst-doctoral and who are eligible for licensure; one member who is a board-certified assistant behavior analyst and who is eligible for licensure; and one member of the public. Board terms are for three years, although initial terms can be staggered, and the board will regulate matters related to licensing.

An applicant for a behavior analyst license shall provide proof of successful passage of the behavior analyst examination, proof that he or she holds a master's degree based on applied behavior analysis, and proof of active status as a board-certified behavior analyst. An applicant for an assistant behavior analyst license shall provide proof of successful passage of the assistant behavior analyst examination, proof that he or she holds a bachelor's degree based on applied behavior analysis, proof of active status as a board-certified assistant behavior analyst, and will have ongoing supervision by a licensed behavior analyst. Violations of the unlicensed practice as either a behavior analyst or an assistant behavior analyst are subject to \$1,000 fines.

These provisions do not apply to: 1) licensed psychologists, so long as the applied behavior analysis services are within that psychologist's training; 2) a behavior technician who delivers applied behavior analysis services under the authority of a licensed behavior analyst or licensed assistant behavior analyst; 3) a caregiver of a recipient of applied behavior analyst services who delivers the services under the authority of a licensed behavioral analyst or licensed assistant behavior analyst; 4) a behavior analyst who practices with non-human or non-patient clients or consumers; 5) a licensed professional authorized to practice in the state who is not a behavior analyst, so long as the licensed professional does not represent that he or she is a licensed behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst; 6) an enrolled graduate student or postdoctoral fellow whose activities are part of a defined behavior analysis program provided that the program is supervised by a licensed behavior analyst or an instructor in a course sequence approved by a certified entity; 7) unlicensed individuals who pursue experience in applied behavior analysis consistent with the experience requirements of a certifying entity; 8) professionals who provide general applied behavior analysis services to organizations, so long as those services are for the benefit of the organizations and do not involve direct services to individuals; 9) individuals who teach behavior analysis or conduct behavior analysis research, so long as that does not involve the direct delivery of applied behavior analysis services; 10) behavior analysts licensed in another jurisdiction or certified by a certifying entity to practice independently and who work in Georgia for a maximum of 30 days in a year and have received a temporary behavior analyst license; 11) an individual employed by a local school board of education who performs the duties of their positions; 12) and a licensed physician who is practicing medicine.

Temporary licenses can be issued to those individuals who reside in and practice in another state and who do not practice in Georgia for more than 30 days. Licenses can also be issued through reciprocity with other states, and licenses issued by the board are granted for two years.

Authored By: Rep. Katie Dempsey (13th)
House Regulated Industries
Committee:

Rule Applied: Modified-Structured
Committee 02-01-2022 Do Pass by Committee
Action: Substitute

HB 430 Professions and businesses; licensure of advanced practice registered nurses; provide

Bill Summary: House Bill 430 revises the definition of "advanced nursing practice" to include clinical nurse specialists and cites to O.C.G.A. 43-26-7.1, which contains the educational or certification requirements. The bill also amends the definition of "advanced practice registered nurse" (APRN) to require an eligible person be licensed as a certified nurse midwife, certified nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or clinical nurse specialist and clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric or mental health, in addition to working in a population focus. Further, this bill provides eligibility requirements for licensing of APRNs and renewal requirements for licenses.

Requirements for applying for a license to practice as an APRN include being licensed as a registered professional nurse or holding a multistate license, having completed a qualifying accredited graduate or postgraduate-level program, being currently certified by a national certifying organization, receiving satisfactory fingerprint record reports, and meeting other criteria as specified by the board. Requirements for applying for the reinstatement of a license include meeting competency requirements as set by the board, receiving satisfactory fingerprint record reports, and meeting other criteria as specified by the board.

The list of various misdemeanor crimes in which it is illegal to practice without a valid, current license is updated to include APRNs. The bill also allows the Department of Revenue to issue license plates and permits for those with disabilities upon affidavits, or signed and dated statements, from licensed APRNs or physician assistants. Further, the Department of Revenue is added to the list of state agencies having verification and evaluation forms in which those with the authority can sign, certify, and endorse for a patient within his or her scope of authorized practice.

Authored By: Rep. Alan Powell (32nd)
House Regulated Industries
Committee:

Rule Applied: Modified-Structured
Committee 02-01-2022 Do Pass by Committee
Action: Substitute

HB 1049 State Board of Nursing Home Administrators; revise composition

Bill Summary: House Bill 1049 adds two members to the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators. The number of members who are nursing home administrators increases from three to four, and the number of members who are either a personal care home administrator or an assisted living community administrator increases from three to four. The total number of members is 11 after June 30, 2022.

Authored By: Rep. John LaHood (175th)
House Health & Human Services
Committee:

Rule Applied: Modified-Structured
Committee 02-01-2022 Do Pass
Action:

Committee Actions

Bills passing committees are reported to the Clerk's Office and are placed on the General Calendar.

Health & Human Services Committee

HB 918 Georgia Rare Disease Advisory Council; provide establishment

Bill Summary: House Bill 918 creates the Georgia Rare Disease Advisory Council under the Department of Public Health, which advises the General Assembly and agencies on the needs of those with rare diseases in Georgia. The council will meet no less than quarterly and have opportunities for public comment. The council will also convene public hearings, consult with experts, evaluate recommendations, publish resources, and identify best practices.

Council members are appointed by the governor, lieutenant governor, and speaker of the House. Members will include a non-state employee chair; a representative from an academic research institution in the state that receives grant funding for rare disease research; a representative from the Division of Medical Assistance Plans of the Department of Community Health; a representative of the Division of Family and Children Services; a geneticist; a registered nurse or advanced practice registered nurse with experience treating rare diseases; a physician with experience treating rare diseases; a pediatric specialist trained in treating children with rare diseases; two patients with a rare disease; a caregiver of a person with a rare disease; a representative of a rare disease patient organization; a representative of the biopharma industry; a representative from a state health plan company; and a social worker with experience with rare disease patients. Members will not be compensated, but will be allowed reimbursement in performance of their duties.

An annual report detailing activities of the council, funding status updates, and recommendations will be provided to the governor and General Assembly and be made available for public comment. The first report is due no later than June 30, 2023.

Authored By: Rep. Mike Cheokas (138th)
House Committee: Health & Human Services

Committee Action: 02-08-2022 Do Pass by Committee Substitute

HB 963 Controlled substances; Schedule I and IV; change certain provisions

Bill Summary: House 963 updates provisions of the Controlled Substance Act relating to Schedule I and Schedule IV controlled substances.

Authored By: Rep. Butch Parrish (158th)
House Committee: Health & Human Services

Committee Action: 02-08-2022 Do Pass

HB 1086 Health; influenza vaccinations for discharged patients; lower age to 50

Bill Summary: House Bill 1086 updates the age at which hospitals will offer an inpatient the influenza vaccine prior to discharge by reducing it from 65 to 50 years of age.

Authored By: Rep. Katie Dempsey (13th)
House Committee: Health & Human Services

Committee Action: 02-08-2022 Do Pass

HB 1092 Georgia Women's CARE (Child Care Alternatives, Resources, and Education) Act, enact

Bill Summary: House Bill 1092 is known as the 'Georgia Women's Child Care Alternatives, Resources, and Education (CARE) Act.' The bill requires every woman, who is not released on bond within 72 hours of arrest to submit to pregnancy testing protocols of the facility. Additionally, at the time of sentencing, judges will determine the eligibility of a pregnant woman sentenced to a period of confinement in a penal institution to have their sentence deferred until six weeks after delivery, unless denied by a judge due to imposed safety risks or declined by the pregnant woman. During the deferred time, the bill requires offenders to maintain perinatal health care, treatment, and

assessments, and to participate in education and resource programs. If the court finds that the offender is not compliant with perinatal health care requirements, the court may rescind the deferred sentence and order confinement immediately.

Commencing January 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, the Department of Public Health will report the following: data collected pursuant to subsection (f) of Code Section 42-1-11.3; and the total number of women who are pregnant, incarcerated, or declined deferred sentencing. This report excludes patient-identifying information.

Authorized By:	Rep. Sharon Cooper (43rd)	Committee	02-08-2022 Do Pass
House	Health & Human Services	Action:	
Committee:			

HB 1192 Social services; treatment services under Medicaid to persons with HIV; provisions

Bill Summary: House Bill 1192 allows the Department of Community Health to submit a waiver request to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services of the United States Health Department of Health and Human Services for the purpose of providing Medicaid coverage for HIV treatment services. Eligible individuals must have an HIV diagnosis, an income of less than 138 percent of the federal poverty level, and no health insurance.

Authorized By:	Rep. Sharon Cooper (43rd)	Committee	02-08-2022 Do Pass by Committee
House	Health & Human Services	Action:	Substitute
Committee:			

HR 629 House State Health Benefit Plan Study Committee; create

Bill Summary: House Resolution 629 creates the House State Health Benefit Plan Study Committee for the purpose of assessing and enhancing the efficiency of the State Health Benefit Plan.

Authorized By:	Rep. Darlene Taylor (173rd)	Committee	02-08-2022 Do Pass
House	Health & Human Services	Action:	
Committee:			

Motor Vehicles Committee

HB 585 Special license plates; Kappa Alpha Psi, Inc.; establish

Bill Summary: House Bill 585 creates a specialty license plate supporting members of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Authorized By:	Rep. William Boddie (62nd)	Committee	02-08-2022 Do Pass by Committee
House	Motor Vehicles	Action:	Substitute
Committee:			

HB 1011 Motor vehicles; amber strobe lights; permitting requirements; exempt low speed vehicles

Bill Summary: House Bill 1011 removes the permit requirement for low-speed vehicles to use an amber strobe light. The bill clarifies that permits for emergency vehicles to operate flashing or revolving emergency lights are valid for five years from the date of issuance.

Authorized By:	Rep. Don Hogan (179th)	Committee	02-08-2022 Do Pass
House	Motor Vehicles	Action:	
Committee:			

HB 1089 Revenue and taxation; certain violations of registration requirements for motor vehicles operated by motor carriers; increase penalty

Bill Summary: House Bill 1089 increases the penalty fee from \$25 to \$145 for each violation of specified motor vehicle registration requirements.

Authorized By: Rep. Vance Smith (133rd)
House Motor Vehicles
Committee:

Committee 02-08-2022 Do Pass
Action:

Retirement Committee**HB 657 Employees' Retirement System; certain sworn law enforcement officers to be eligible for regular retirement benefits at the age of 55 years; allow**

Bill Summary: House Bill 657 allows sworn officers, the commissioners, and the deputy commissioners employed by the Motor Carrier Compliance Division of the Department of Public Safety to be eligible for retirement at age 55. Most members of the Employees' Retirement System (ERS) can retire at age 60; the current exception is other state employee sworn officers who can retire at age 55. This bill is certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a fiscal retirement bill. The actuarial investigation estimates the annual employer contribution rate will increase for Georgia State Employees' Pension and Savings Plan (GSEPS) members from 24.17 percent to 24.33 percent and for non-GSEPS members from 31.94 percent to 32.10 percent, for a total state cost of \$732,000.

Authorized By: Rep. Clint Crowe (110th)
House Retirement
Committee:

Committee 02-08-2022 Do Pass
Action:

HB 1056 Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund; authority to make alternative investments; repeal certain restrictions

Bill Summary: House Bill 1056 allows the Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund to invest up to 15 percent of the fund's total assets in alternative investments. The fund's current limit on alternative investments is 10 percent. This bill is certified by the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts as a non-fiscal retirement bill.

Authorized By: Rep. Dewayne Hill (3rd)
House Retirement
Committee:

Committee 02-08-2022 Do Pass
Action:

Small Business Development Committee**HR 579 Georgia Commission on Sustainability and Economic Opportunity; create**

Bill Summary: House Resolution 579 creates the Georgia Commission on Sustainability and Economic Opportunity.

The commission consists of one member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House; one member of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate; and five discretionary members who represent entities that provide sustainability and employee wellness certifications, of which two are appointed by the president of the Senate, two are appointed by the speaker of the House, and one is appointed by the governor. The bill also appoints the following, who may name a designee: the executive director of the Georgia Municipal Association; the executive director of the Association County Commissioners of Georgia; the executive director or chairperson of the Georgia Economic Developers Association; the president or chairperson of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce; the president or chairperson of the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce; and the commissioner of the Georgia Department of Economic Development. The president of the Senate and the speaker of the House each select a member to serve as a co-chair.

The commission is abolished on December 31, 2022.

Authored By: Rep. Don Parsons (44th)
House Committee: Small Business Development

Committee Action: 02-08-2022 Do Pass by Committee Substitute

HR 627 House Study Committee on Bureaucratic Hindrances to Businesses; create

Bill Summary: House Resolution 627 creates the House Study Committee on Bureaucratic Hindrances to Businesses. The committee consists of five House members as appointed by the speaker. The committee is abolished on December 1, 2022.

Authored By: Rep. Bill Yearta (152nd)
House Committee: Small Business Development

Committee Action: 02-08-2022 Do Pass

Committee Meeting Schedule

This meeting schedule is up to date at the time of this report, but meeting dates and times are subject to change. To keep up with the latest schedule, please visit www.house.ga.gov and click on [Meetings Calendar](#).

Wednesday - February 9, 2022

9:00 AM	Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee	606 CLOB HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
10:00 AM	INDUSTRY AND LABOR COMMITTEE	506 CLOB HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
10:00 AM	INSURANCE COMMITTEE	606 CLOB HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
11:00 AM	STATE PLANNING & CONSUMER AFFAIRS	506 CLOB HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
11:30 AM	Education Academic Innovation Subcommittee	506 CLOB HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
12:00 PM	Judiciary Non-Civil Smith Subcommittee	406 CLOB HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
1:00 PM	HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE	606 CLOB HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
1:00 PM	BUDGET & FISCAL AFFAIRS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE	341 CAP HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
1:30 PM	Ways & Means Ad Valorem Subcommittee	403 CAP HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
2:00 PM	Ways & Means Income Tax Subcommittee	403 CAP HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
2:00 PM	GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE	406 CLOB HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
3:00 PM	JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL COMMITTEE	132 CAP HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
3:00 PM	EDUCATION COMMITTEE	341 CAP HYBRID	VIDEO	Agenda
3:30 PM	STATE PROPERTIES COMMITTEE	403 CAP	VIDEO	Agenda